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(Excerpt) Buenos Aires, 5 July--While rumors of a coup are increasing, the government, in a McCarthy-like campaign launched in recent weeks by several reactionary groups, has just taken the first official step toward repressing the leftwing forces by means of a resolution which lumps together the fascist organizations and the Communist Youth Federation. Interior Minister Juan Palmero issued a resolution which demands that the Justice Ministry take punitive measures against the members and supporters of the Tacuara nationalist movement, its Nationalist Students Union branch, the Nationalist Restoration Guard, and the Communist Youth Federation (PJC).

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According to a special report issued by the federal police upon the request of the ministry, the resolution is based upon the charge that the organizations are acting as "veritable lawless associations" in "carrying out violent actions." It is also planned to instruct the federal police to give the utmost cooperation to the Justice Department in order to investigate the facts and, when necessary, to arrest the perpetrators.

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MEATPACKING INDUSTRY CRISIS--Buenos Aires--Two of the largest meatpacking plants in Argentina, Swift and Armour, have reduced their operations, claiming that the Argentine currency they receive for their imports does not cover the costs of meat prices in the domestic market. Numerous workers have been fired as a result of this reduction in operations, thus compounding the meatpacking crisis. (Buenos Aires ANSA Spanish 0126 GMT 6 July 1965--F) Sources close to the Argentine economic cabinet have reported that the restriction of meat consumption will ban the handling and consumption of meat on Fridays and Saturdays instead of Mondays and Tuesdays. Exports will be stepped up, exempting steers for export from taxes. The economy minister has received a committee representing the 8,000 meatpacking industry workers affected by a decline in operations, assuring them that the government is considering measures to reactivate those industries to promote exports of meat and its byproducts. (Buenos Aires ANSA Spanish 1556 GMT 6 July 1965--P)

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RELATIONS WITH ALGERIA--The Argentine Foreign Ministry has unofficially announced that Argentina will continue to have diplomatic relations with Algeria. An official communique will be issued in a few days. (Buenos Aires ANSA Spanish 1556 GMT 6 July 1965--P) (~~FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY~~)

ANTARCTIC FLYING SAUCERS--A group of red, green, and yellow flying saucers has been seen flying over Deception Island for two hours by Argentine, Chilean, and British bases in Antarctica. The flying saucers were also seen flying in formation over the South Orkney islands in quick circles. (Buenos Aires ANSA Spanish 1556 GMT 6 July 1965--P) (~~FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY~~)

CRUDE OIL IMPORTS--It has been learned that the Argentine YPF has announced that bids from private companies will be received for the purchase of 1 billion cubic meters of crude oil. (Lima APP Spanish 1835 GMT 6 July 1965--P) (~~FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY~~)

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